SUMMARY SHEET

I. <u>Description of Item</u>

This resolution requests the Tennessee General Assembly support legislation amending Tenn. Code Ann. § 11-21-103 relative to the meeting requirements for county conservation boards. Currently, state law requires conservation boards hold monthly meetings. The proposed legislative amendment would allow conservation boards to meet less frequently, but not less frequently than quarterly, based on the needs of the each county.

II. Source and Amount of Funding

Not applicable.

III. Contract Items

Not applicable.

IV. Additional Information Relevant to Approval of this Item

The Shelby County Conversation Board recommends approval of this item.

The current statute reads as follows: § 11-21-103. Selection of officers; meetings; records and reports

Within thirty (30) days after their appointment, the county conservation board shall organize by selecting from its members a president and secretary and such other officers as are deemed necessary, who shall hold office for the calendar year in which elected and until their successors are selected and qualified. A majority of the members to which the board is entitled shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The board shall hold regular monthly meetings. Special meetings may be called by the president, and shall be called on the request of a majority of members, as necessity may require. The board shall have power to adopt bylaws, to adopt and use a common seal, and to enter into contracts. The county legislative body shall provide suitable offices for the meetings of the board and for the safekeeping of its records. Such records shall be subject to public inspection at all reasonable hours and under such regulations as the board may prescribe. The board shall annually make a full and complete report to the county legislative body of its transactions and operations for the preceding year. Such report shall contain a full statement of its receipts, disbursements, and the program of work for the period covered, and may include such recommendations as may be deemed advisable. A copy of this report shall be filed with the commissioner of environment and conservation.